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Health Department Alert – Rabies Vaccination Recommended for Pets

On July 9, 2013, the Village of Skokie Health Department received confirmation from the Illinois State Public Health Laboratory regarding a bat found in Skokie which tested positive for rabies.

The Skokie Health Department suggests that if you were exposed to or bitten by a bat to contact your doctor. All residents should keep their dogs, cats and ferrets on a leash when out of their homes. If your animal does not have a current rabies vaccination, please have the pet immediately inoculated with the rabies vaccine.

You are advised not to handle any bats, skunks or other wild animals. If any bats or skunks are found down or dead on your property or roadway, please call the Skokie Animal Control at 847/933-8484.

For information on the rabies virus and prevention, please contact the Skokie Health Department at 847/933-8484.

EIGHTH ANNUAL CHICAGO SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL COMES TO DALEY PLAZA AUGUST 5-9

Festival Honors the Heritage of Chicago's 28 Sister Cities



Celebrating the cultural vibrancy of Chicago's robust relationships with cities around the world, Chicago Sister Cities International (CSCI) presents the eighth annual Chicago Sister Cities International Festival. A rich variety of authentic ethnic food, merchandise and entertainment will enliven the downtown Loop with the tastes, sights and sounds of Chicago's diverse neighborhoods born from cities throughout the global community.

The Chicago Sister Cities International Festival takes place Monday through Friday, August 5-9, 2013 from 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Richard J. Daley Plaza. Live musical and dance performances take place from 12 noon-1 p.m. each day. The festival is free and open to the public.

Since its inception in 1960, CSCI has been building the cultural, social and economic connections between Chicago and the world that continue to enrich the city's ethnic roots. By branching out to a present total of 28 sister cities around the world since its first partnership with Warsaw, Poland, CSCI represents Chicago as a global city to the world with the largest program of its kind in the United States. Each year since 2006, the Chicago Sister Cities International Festival has created an international village filled with food, music, dance and merchants in an annual recognition of these accomplishments.

On Wednesday, August 7, the festival will celebrate "Chicago Consular Corps Day" in honor of the 80 countries that make up Chicago's Consular Corps and to commemorate the all-inclusive international relationships that CSCI creates around the world.

For the complete festival schedule and updates, visit ChicagoSisterCities.com, follow us on Twitter (@ChiSisterCities) or "Like" us on Facebook, Facebook.com/ChicagoSisterCities.



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Presence Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers August Health Programs

Presence Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center, 5645 W. Addison St., Chicago, will offer the following health events in August.

Diabetes screenings will be given Thursday, August 1, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. No fasting is required for this blood draw that will test for HbA1C, glycohemoglobin. The screening is for anyone who wants to know their blood sugar average during the past two-to-three months. Test results will be mailed. There is a \$10 fee, payable at the screening. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.INFO.

The Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, August 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. This free support group aims to provide mutual support and education. For more information, call 773.794.8329.

Free blood pressure screenings will be offered Wednesday, August 7, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., in the hospital's main lobby. A health care professional will perform screenings and answer questions about blood pressure readings. Registration is not required.

A free Healthy Aging Program will be held Friday, August 9, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. This program for individuals aged 55 and older consists of social time, health topics and guest lectures. Meltem Randle, R.N., critical care nurse educator, will speak about sepsis, a potentially life-threatening complication of an infection. Registration is not required.

The Arthritis Support Group will meet Thursday, August 22, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center. These free sessions aim to provide mutual support and education. Registration is not required.

Free parking is available in the hospital's parking facility on Addison Street.

RESURRECTION WELCOMES LEADERSHIP TEAM FOR 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR

The Sisters of the Resurrection and the Board of Resurrection College Prep High School have appointed Sister Donna Marie Wolowicki, C.R. '66 as Interim President and Mrs. Kathy Rzany as the Interim Principal of Resurrection College Prep High School. Sr. Donna and Mrs. Rzany bring substantial administrative talents and experiences to Resurrection College Prep High School and will serve as interim leadership while the Board of Resurrection College Prep High School conduct a search for a new President and a new Principal to replace retired President/Principal Dr. Lynne Saccaro.

Sr. Donna Marie Wolowicki, C.R. is a Resurrection alumna from the Class of 1966 and holds a B.S and M.S. in Nursing from Loyola University and an M.B.A. from North Park University. She served as Executive VP/CEO of Resurrection Medical Center for twenty-two years and was responsible for the operation of the hospital, strategic planning, support of Catholic values and ethics in the delivery of health care, mission integration into the daily operations and financial planning. Early in her career she worked as a nurse in critical care, both in direct patient care and as a nurse educator. Sr. Donna also serves on a number of boards, including Solidarity Bridge, a medical mission organization, Maryville's Scott Nolan Psychiatric Hospital, and the Father McGivney Center of Hope and Healing.

Mrs. Kathy Rzany comes to the position of Interim Principal with a wealth of experience as both a Catholic school teacher and administrator. She attended Catholic schools from kindergarten through graduate school and holds a B.A. in English from Quincy University and an M.A. in Educational Administration from Dominican University. Mrs. Rzany spent twenty years of her career at Resurrection College Prep High School as a teacher, curriculum director and assistant principal. During the past sixteen years she served as a grade school and high school principal as well as an adjunct member of the faculty at Dominican University School of Education. She currently teaches Secondary Methods and Curriculum Planning at Dominican University and is a member of the Finance Committee at St. Monica Parish.

Resurrection College Prep High School, located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago, is the largest all girls' Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women on the north side of Chicago. Since its founding in 1922, Resurrection has graduated over 13,500 alumnae. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or visit www.reshs.org.

Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association

The Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association, JPNA, will have at its monthly meeting, Wed., July 31, 2013,

Commander James O'Donnell of the 16th District Police Station. He will give those attending an overview of the duties and responsibility of the police in this area as well as an update on activities in this area. Following there will be a question and answer period. Meetings are free, open to the public with light refreshments at the Congregational Church of Jefferson Park, 5320 W. Giddings, at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 773 282 3879 or go to jpna@jpna.net.

St. Thecla Seniors Meetings

St. Thecla Seniors located at 6725 W. Devon meet at 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the Queen of Peace room. There is a short meeting followed by sweet rolls and coffee. Bingo and cards are played. We have parties!!! Please join us as you may like us! For information, please call Joanie at 312/608-4092.

Downspout Disconnection Regulation Reminder

Lincolnwood requires that all downspouts on properties be disconnected from the Village's combined sewer system. Disconnected downspouts reduce the burden of storm water on the Village's sewer system.

For directions and information, please contact the Village of Lincolnwood Department of Public Works at 847/675-0888.

Skokie Yellow Line Dempster Station to Begins New Service Route

On Monday, August 19, 2013 Pace Route 620 service will begin between the CTA Yellow Line Dempster Station and the Allstate Northbrook Campus serving Allstate West Plaza.

Pace Route 620 will operate weekdays, excluding holidays, in the morning and afternoon commuting hours.

For more information please contact the RTA at 312/836-7000 or at www.pacebus.com.

KIWANIS CLUB OF RAVENSWOOD

The Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood meets every 2nd & 4th Thursday (with some exceptions) at the Hilltop Restaurant, NW corner of California & Foster Avenues, Chicago. Plenty of FREE PARKING is available in the lot west of the restaurant, on the north side. To confirm the meeting dates please call Maria Bappert at 773-728-8127. Thank you.

NORWOOD CROSSING TO HOST LIFE LINE HEALTH SCREENINGS ON JULY 31

Being proactive about health care is a personal responsibility that each of us owes to ourselves to help assure our continued well-being. For the second consecutive year, Norwood Crossing is hosting a health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., on July 31, in the Norwegian Heritage Room at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

Register for a Wellness package which includes four vascular tests and osteoporosis screening at a cost of \$159 (\$149 with the Life Line Screening discount). All five screenings take 60 – 90 minutes to complete. Life Line Screening tests over one million people a year, and has saved about 60,000 lives during that period.

Appointment spaces are limited and payment must be made upfront. To register for the event and receive a \$10 discount, please call (888) 653-6441 or visit Norwood Crossing's website at www.norwoodcrossing.org/event calendar and click the Life Line banner.

Norwood Park Seniors Club

at 5801 N Natoma Chicago meet the second and fourth Thursday of the month. We play pinochle and bingo, have parties on special occasions. Meetings start at 10:30 with coffee and a sweet roll. Call Joan at 773-774-7075.

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LOCAL STUDENT COULD WIN \$5,000 IN COLLEGE MONEY!



Commander Matthew M. Mihelcic of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Department of Illinois, today announced the kick-off of this year's VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary "Patriot's Pen Essay Competition." Middle school students in grades 6-8 in this area have the opportunity to compete in the VFW's annual essay competition and win thousands of dollars.

Students begin by competing at the local Post level. Post winners advance to District level.

Eighteen district winners compete in the state competition. The state winners compete for \$46,000 in awards at the National level, and the National Champion wins \$5,000. Each year, around 125,000 students participate nationwide. Students are invited to write a 300-400-word essay on a patriotic theme. The theme for 2013-2014 is:

"WHAT PATRIOTISM MEANS TO ME"

The deadline for student entries is November 1st. Interested students and teachers should contact the nearest Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, or e mail vwil@vwil.org for further information. Entry forms and contest rules may be downloaded at: <http://www.vfw.org/Community/Patriot-s-Pen/>

HOME DELIVERED MEALS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NORWOOD SENIORS NETWORK

Are you looking for an engaging way to give back in our community? Look no further! Since 1994, the Norwood Seniors Network, a nonprofit senior services agency affiliated with Norwood Crossing, has helped older adults enjoy a safer, more independent lifestyle by bringing affordable services into their homes. Services include caregiving, transportation, emergency communication, and reasonably priced, freshly made meals delivered to the home by volunteers.

Volunteers deliver the hot and cold meals Monday through Friday between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and are provided with mapped routes that include homes in northwest Chicago or near northwest suburbs. Each route takes about one-to-two hours to complete, and volunteers must have their own vehicle and insurance. Volunteer Drivers may have a free lunch in the employee dining room on the day they deliver. All it takes is a two-hour per week commitment and you'll likely find that your service enriches your own life. Many on our volunteer team of Home Delivered Meals drivers have served for years and tell us it's the highlight of their week.

Kate Roche, director of volunteer services at norVOLution, Norwood's volunteer program, would be happy to talk with you about this opportunity or the many other ways one can volunteer. Take a look at norVOLution's website, <http://www.norvolution.org/>, and download an application today. Kate can be reached at 773-577-5329 or email her at kroche@norvolution.org.

Visit Skokie Police Explorer Car Wash

The Skokie Police Explorers, Post 300, host their annual car wash fundraiser on Sunday, August 4, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the retired Skokie Police Department parking lot, 8350 Laramie Avenue, at Main Street and Laramie Avenue. A \$5 donation is suggested per vehicle.

The Explorers is a division of the Boy Scouts of America and the carwash proceeds will fund the annual Scouts membership.

For more information about the Skokie Police Explorers or the carwash please contact the Crime Prevention Division at 847/982-5919.

LOCAL AUTHOR COMPLETES THIRD BOOK—"ROADSIDE HISTORY OF ILLINOIS"

Stan Banash, a.k.a. "Tex," a resident of Chicago's Norwood Park community, recently completed his third book, *Roadside History of Illinois* (Mountain Press, 2013). The book covers the history of the state from the Ice Age to the present, offering vacationers a series of short trips mostly along old U.S. highways, state highways and county roads that provide a glimpse into numerous historic sites as well as the history of nearly 250 significant cities, towns and villages in seven geographical regions. Among the book's features are more than 125 images, regional maps, an Illinois Chronology, a list of Illinois Facts, the lyrics to the seldom heard State Song, "Illinois," and a list of Illinois Originals, in addition to a Bibliography and Index. The book also includes a Special Introduction by the late Dee Brown, author of the internationally acclaimed book, *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee*, and was praised in back cover blurbs by former U.S. Sen. Adlai E. Stevenson III and Illinois State Archives Deputy Director Wayne C. Temple. As the Preface notes, *Roadside History of Illinois* is "designed to help both visitors and residents discover and savor the historical, cultural, and natural opulence of this great state."

Banash, who was raised in suburban Niles and graduated from Niles Township High School in Skokie, served in the Air Force and then obtained his Bachelor of Philosophy degree in political science from Northwestern University and a Master of Arts degree in Urban Studies from Roosevelt University. His two earlier books were: *Best of Dee Brown's West* (Clear Light, 1998) and *Dee Brown's Civil War Anthology* (Clear Light, 1998). He also has reviewed numerous books for *Wild West* magazine, *The Tombstone Epitaph*, *Western Historical Quarterly*, *Journal of the West*, and *Roundup* magazine. Active in his local community, Banash held several elected offices with the Edison Park Chamber of Commerce, including serving as its president for six years from 1988-1994. Later he chaired Chicago's first 41st Ward Zoning Advisory Board, established by former Ald. Brian Doherty, from 1993-2011, and served as sheriff of the Chicago Corral—The Westerners for five years from 1996-2001. He also is a member of the Western Writers of America, Western History Association, and Westerners International. He currently serves as part-time director of public relations for Norwood Crossing, a long-term care retirement community in Chicago's Norwood Park.

In 1987, he wrote the speech that Chicago Cubs Billy Williams delivered at his induction ceremony into the Baseball Hall of Fame, in Cooperstown, New York.

Banash can easily be spotted in his local community dressed daily in western clothes, carrying the spirit of the Old West wherever he goes. He and his wife, Laura, live in a rustic, California redwood style home, with a yard surrounded by a split rail fence and landscaped with native plants from the western plains. Combined, the couple have seven adult children and 12 grandchildren.

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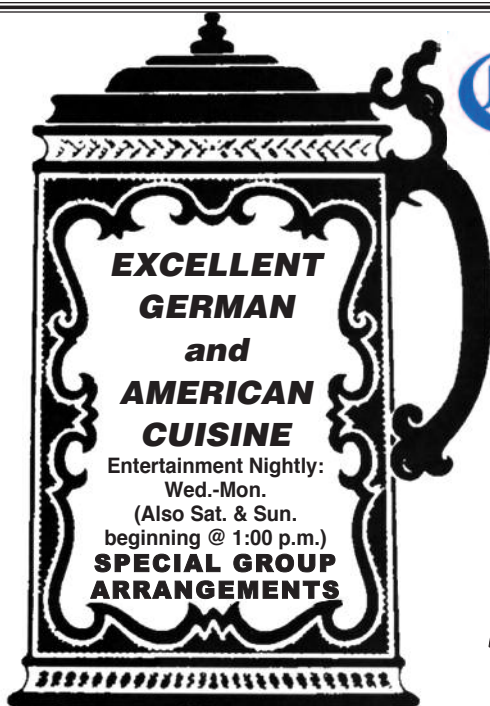
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Opening Night of 35th Annual Chicago Jazz Festival

It's always a joyous occasion when jazz music takes center stage at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park with the return of the Made in Chicago: World Class Jazz series on Thursday, July 25. Opening night will include a tribute to the late Helen C. Doria, a celebration of the woman responsible for creating the series in 2005.

Doria was Millennium Park's first executive director and instrumental in setting the tone for what has become one of the nation's most fully-utilized and culturally rich public spaces. She was dedicated to ensuring that the Park be inclusive, reaching across cultural, geographic and economic boundaries – a people's park.

Doria was also an advocate for Chicago's jazz community. Working with the Jazz Institute of Chicago and the Chicago Park District to establish the JazzCity neighborhood concert series – as well as creating this jazz series for Millennium Park and through her work with Chicago Jazz Partnership, she supported the creativity and careers of countless jazz artists, including the leader of the opening night concert, Dee Alexander.

Alexander, a vibrant member of Chicago's jazz community and a vocalist and composer has performed at Millennium Park in many contexts. Her 2007 Made in Chicago tribute to Nina Simone and Dinah Washington was cancelled due to severe weather, but rescheduled because Helen Doria believed strongly that the project should be heard. The concert became an important launching pad for Alexander's career, which has taken her around the world with many projects including this year's series opener: Funkin' with Acoustic Soul: Tribute to James Brown and Jimi Hendrix.

All concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. with a short set by young, aspiring musicians from Chicago-area high schools as part of the Jazz Institute of Chicago's Jazz Links Student Ensembles and Gallery 37 After School Matters Jazz Ensemble.

The Made in Chicago: World Class Jazz finale on August 29 will also open the Chicago Jazz Festival in style, celebrating the music of Jack DeJohnette as well as his 71st birthday with his aptly named "Special Legends Edition Chicago".

Made in Chicago: World Class Jazz is presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and programmed in partnership with the Jazz Institute of Chicago. Grant support provided by The Boeing Company, The Chicago Community Trust and The Joyce Foundation.

Millennium Park is located on Michigan Avenue, bordered by Randolph St. to the north, Columbus Dr. to the east and Monroe St. to the south. Convenient parking is located in the Millennium Park Garage (entrance on Columbus at Monroe or Randolph), Millennium Lakeside and Grant Park North.

For the latest Millennium Park news and events, visit millenniumpark.org, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter, @Millennium_Park.

"A Theater Review"

"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change"

Marriott Theatre 10 Marriott Drive, Lincolnshire, Illinois

Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

The Marriott Theatre is currently doing Joe DiPietro and Jimmy Robert's sketch musical of "I Love You, You're Perfect Now Change" and has a cast of four very talented performers – Kelly Anne Clark, Alex Goodrich, Johanna McKenzie Miller and Bernie Yvon. The musical is under the direction of Matt Raftery.

After a spell-binding production of "South Pacific," which closed recently I was a bit disappointed with this sketch revue that deals with dating, romance, marriage and other topics.

My problem was not with the direction or the cast but the songs like "Tear Jerk," or "Single Man Draught," as they were nothing memorable.

Goodrich is a class act and a gifted comedian. I always kid him as he stands over 6 feet tall and I'm 5'2". Yvon is always a standout as is Kelly Anne Clark and Johanna McKenzie Miller.

I found the funeral parlor number too long as the running time of the show is all but close to two hours and twenty minutes and the show should be trimmed.

"I Love You" runs through August 11th. For show dates – show times – reservations call 847-634-0100. Tickets are \$40 - \$48. **-Three Stars-**

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1/2 of an (8 oz) no salt added Hunt's Tomato Sauce	1 Garlic Clove, chopped
1 can of Hunt's Stewed Tomatoes	2 Tbsp. Olive Oil

Wash and cut the fresh green beans in half. Chop onion and garlic and saute until soft not browned. Add the green beans and the stewed tomatoes and tomato sauce and simmer for about 20 minutes. Place in a 10 x 7 casserole baking dish. Rinse the butter beans and mix with green beans in the casserole dish. Sprinkle with salt, pepper, parsley and oregano and add the Olive Oil. Place in a preheated 350F oven for approximately 1-1/2 hours. Add small amount of water if needed.

For variety, instead of the butter beans you may use 2 small zucchini that have been cut in rounds and potatoes cut in small pieces and follow the same procedure of seasoning and baking as above. This is a great side dish for chicken, steak or fish regardless of the season.

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Local Arts and Entertainment

Lincolnwood Featuring New Artist

Beginning July 18, 2013, the art of Robert Winslow will be featured in the Village's art gallery. This show, entitled "Vessels," will run through September 3, 2013. The Village will host a public reception for the art exhibit on August 20, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall. Light refreshments will be served and attendees will have the opportunity to meet the artists.

The art is displayed at Village Hall, located at 6900 North Lincoln Avenue and is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, visit the Art Gallery section of the Village's website at www.lincolnwoodil.org/art-gallery.cfm.

Wednesdays on the Green

Enjoy Wednesdays on the Green in Downtown Skokie this summer! Free, fun, family oriented events are held every Wednesday night through August 28 at 7 p.m., at the Village Green, 5155 Oakton Street.

On their featured Wednesday night, participating Downtown Skokie restaurants offer a 20% discount (dine-in/carry out) from 4 p.m. to closing when patrons present a Wednesdays on the Green postcard that will be mailed to all Skokie households in late May. Cards are available at Village Hall, 5127 Oakton Street and can be downloaded at www.wednesdaysonthegreen.com.

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By Anastasia E. Weaver

St. Demetrios Church, is celebrating its 85th anniversary as a parish in this community and we are about to open the doors to our 64th Annual Chicago's GreekFest. We extend an invitation to all, bring family, friends and neighbors and enjoy an incredible three day weekend August 16,17, 18 of the greatest in Greek cuisine and a sizzling star-studded program of entertainment for the entire family that will not break the bank. We have spent many hours making sure that prices remain stable yet the quality and consistency we are known for remains the same. St. Demetrios is in the far north section of Chicago's Lincoln Square nestled next to Swedish Covenant Hospital on a quiet residential street where our Church got its start in 1927. The un-



daunted spirit and dreams of those early founders continued to take shape as each new generation continued in their foot steps at St. Demetrios. Many improvements and changes have taken place over the years at St. Demetrios and being a living entity its growth and beauty continues. We all recognize that our nation is presently in difficult economic times that has affected many of our faithful and community and has delayed some of our dreams for improving our church facility for the time being. One thing is for sure, the clergy, parish council members, church staff, parishioners young and not-so-young, friends of St. Demetrios and everyone surrounding this large family of our church is pitching in to help whether with monetary donations or volunteering to serve in whatever is needed. The love and un-

daunted spirit within this community is still shining brightly onto the path of future decades. Friday, August 16 6:30 to 11:00 p.m. come and enjoy the exciting music of the NORTHSIDE - Rock 'n Roll group that grew up and got their start right here at St. Demetrios' Miller Center(Grand Hall). On Stage: Chris Stamos drums, Bob Spilios bass, Louie Kritikos lead guitar and George Skoubis guitar and keyboards. For the first time this year, they will be joined by their off-spring who are also talented youth of our community. FUTURE NORTHSIDE: Alex and Dean Kritikos; OPENING DOORS Luke Stamos and Niko Kapetan and STYRO-FOAM ARMY Dimitri and Niko Kapetan.

Saturday and Sunday August 17-18 you will enjoy the incomparable JOHN LINARDAKIS BAND under the direction of John Linardakis along with Frank Rhokas, bouzouki, Dino Koulianos, lead vocals, George Marks, keyboards and John Verros drums. Performing Greek and American dance and listening music for your pleasure. Don't forget to bring your dance shoes. The music is extraordinary. Featured guest artist is internationally renown clarinetist/composer Dr. Thanasi Zervas - in from Greece along with Ms. Carol Lo Verde Soprano and native Chicagoan. She will duet for the first time with Dr. Thanasi Zervas in Greek and Italian compositions.

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When Harry Met Sally: A Real Lesson in Preventing Family Discord



Chester M. Przybylo

The American Declaration of Independence begins “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal...” While this may hold true for people and their rights, all Trusts are definitely not created equal.

Seemingly small differences in wording can make a big difference in reality. For example, one Trust may have a “No Contest” clause while another Trust might not. A No Contest clause provides that if someone unsuccessfully contests the validity of the Trust, negative consequences ensue. Typically, the clause will provide that the unsuccessful contestant is disinherited or treated as though he or she died before the person who

created the Trust. Such a clause can effectively convince people that it is not worth challenging your Trust.

Let’s look at what happened when Harry met Sally. They hit it off immediately and soon decided to marry - it was a second marriage for both of them. They each had children from their prior marriages, Sally had an 11-year-old son, Billy, and Harry had two daughters, Susan 13 years old and Michelle 15 years old. When they married, Sally entered the relationship with several million dollars and Harry entered it with more modest means. When Sally prepared her estate plan, a Living Trust, she wanted to share her wealth equally among all three children and left them equal parts of her estate. After a loving, caring relationship that lasted many decades, Harry passed away. When Sally passed away several years later, Billy now in his 50s, contested her Trust. He did not want to share his mother’s wealth with his step-sisters. Billy’s contest ended up costing Sally’s estate hundreds of thousands of dollars in attorney fees, court costs and legal expert fees. When the dust finally settled, all the children ended up sharing a much-reduced pie - a very unfortunate result. Worse, the emotional scars from the litigation never healed and the children have no relationship as the result of Billy’s actions.

Unfortunately, Sally could have avoided the battle that tore her and Harry’s family apart. If she had included a No Contest clause in her Trust, Billy probably would not have contested his mother’s estate plan and risk his share of her millions.

Consider using a No Contest clause, especially in the following situations:

- Substantial wealth
- Remarriage, especially later in life
- Unequal distribution among your children
- Unusual distributions

While No Contest clauses are not valid in every state, they can be a great way to reduce the risk that your wishes will be challenged. Be sure to seek the advice of an attorney who focuses his or her practice in estate planning when preparing your estate plan. Only a knowledgeable, experienced estate-planning attorney can advise you on the best estate plan for your situation.

-Chester M. Przybylo has been elected to the Board of Governors of the prestigious American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys and has been engaged in the practice of law for the last 40 years. To register for an upcoming seminar, call the 24 hour reservation hotline at 1-800-638-7878 or register online at www.PlanOurEstate.com.

Queen of All Saints 74-75-76 mini-reunion

The Queen of All Saints School classes of 1974-75-76 just held a mini-reunion at Moretti’s in Mt. Prospect.

Many 1976 classmates had a great time at a reunion last year, so they decided to do it again and include the classes of 75-76.

The 74-75-76 classmates who attended are: Dave Beck, Jeannine Bittolo, Megan Boyle, Dan Burkhard, Julia Carini, Tony Catino, host Patti Conrad, host Donna Dolan, Sue Duffy, Sheila Elliott, Kathy Ginley, Bob Grass, Kathy Kloiber, John Majcher, Patrick McGowan, Mark Murphy, Bob Pecho, Mike Perkaus, Donna Ranieri, Ellen Reborna, host John Reedy, Lisa Strand, Annette Talens, Jeannine Thomure, host Patty Wodarski, John Wysocki, plus teacher John Hansen.

The QAS class of 1974 hopes to have a 40th reunion next year.

TOPINKA LAUNCHES ILLINOIS NONPROFIT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Council discusses nonprofit fiscal challenges in first meeting



Comptroller Judy Baar Topinka poses for a photo with Roxy Kozyckyj representing Judith Gethner, Executive Director of Illinois Partners for Human Service at the first Illinois Nonprofit Advisory Council meeting. Photo by Teresa Potasiak

Comptroller Judy Baar Topinka joined Illinois Partners for Human Service and other nonprofits from across the state in announcing the formation of the Illinois Nonprofit Advisory Council to tackle staggering fiscal challenges facing service organizations.

Topinka made the announcement following a successful first meeting in which the Council made brief introductions and got right to business discussing the state’s financial situation. The group highlighted the effects of state payment delays and shared details for minimizing financial hardships. Meetings will be held regularly to maintain an ongoing dialogue.

NORWOOD PARK SENIOR CENTER TO HOST AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS ON AUGUST 6 & 8

Are you up-to-date on changes to the “Rules of the Road” in Illinois or want to improve your defensive driving knowledge? If so, consider enrolling in the two half-day AARP Driver Safety Class, hosted by the Norwood Park Senior Center. The sessions are open to persons age 55 or older. Classes will be held on Aug. 6 and Aug. 8, from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., at the Norwood Park Senior Center, 5801 N. Natoma Ave. in Chicago.

The sessions are informative, engaging and spirited. Many who have attended the classes remarked how much they learned about safe and defensive driving practices. Completion of the course may qualify participants for a three-year discount on their liability insurance, an aggregate savings that could exceed \$100. Cost of the class is \$14 per person (\$12 per person for AARP members). To register, please call the Center at (773) 775-6071 or email them at info@npsenior-center.org.

The Norwood Park Senior Center is managed by Norwood Seniors Network, a community outreach program, in partnership with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services, Senior Services Area Agency on Aging and the Chicago Park District.

The Lincolnwood Social Club

Day trips, drop-in programs, guest speakers and seasonal mixers are just a few of the activities enjoyed by Lincolnwood Social Club members. Area seniors, age 55 years and better, are encouraged to join the program and start taking advantage of some of the upcoming programming including theater outings to see *The Pirates of Penzance* (May 16), *Dream Girls* (October 10) and *Singin’ in the Rain* (November 28). Other day trips include the Glenn Miller Orchestra (May 22), History Lunch Tour on the Spirit of Chicago (June 20) and Lake Geneva Lake Tour and Lunch at The Abbey (July 18). Registration fees include round trip transportation and lunch for most outings. Drop-in programs are offered on a weekly basis at the Lincolnwood Community Center (6900 N. Lincoln Avenue). Weekly activities include bridge, mah jongg and senior exercise. Classes are offered either free of charge or at a discount for Social Club members. In addition to day trips and drop-in programs, members enjoy monthly activities including movie viewings with catered lunch, area restaurant outings as well as outings to city locales (transportation included) and monthly social mixers highlighting member birthdays.

For membership information and a list of activities, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (847) 677-9740 or access at www.lincolnwoodil.org.

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How Does a "Heat Wave" Affect Your Plants?

by: Nick Urhausen, Urhausen Greenhouses



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Once again this year our Chicago weather has changed from the cool of Spring to the heat of Summer almost overnight. This sudden and rapid change from cold to hot impacts the growth of your flowering annuals in ways of which you may not be aware. The average gardener often does not understand the role that temperature plays in the performance of his/her plants. What we will focus on today is the impact which temperature has on blooming.

For all plants there is an ideal temperature range consisting of a night time low and a day time high which is optimal for producing blooms and flowers. Having a heat wave the night time low is usually not cool enough, and the day time high is often exceeded. When this occurs, most plants tend to slow down, just like people do, when it is hot. Some plants will either go out of bloom completely or decrease the number of blooms significantly. This is the survival mechanism of the plant kicking in. The plant will shut down blooming to concentrate on just staying alive. Dianthus and snapdragons are some example of plants that often times go out of bloom when the real heat hits. This does not mean that the plant is dead. Continue to water, and when the weather cools the blooms and flowers will magically reappear. In other plants the number of blooms will not decrease, however the size of the flowers will shrink. New Guinea Impatiens and nonstop Begonias will often follow this pattern. Again, keep up the watering and continue feeding the plants every two weeks, and all will be fine when the weather cools down. During a heat wave all a gardener can really do is just wait for the cooler more moderate weather to return.

Urhausen Greenhouses, Inc. is located at 6973 N. East Prairie Road in Lincolnwood. Phone: 847-675-1573, fax: 847-675-0661.

Pets Across U.S. Brace for Heat Wave

As people brace for the heat waves of the Summer months that blanket the U.S., doctors from BluePearl Veterinary Partners' specialty and emergency hospitals are urging pet owners to take precautions for their pets during the sweltering days ahead.

BluePearl doctors recommend these simple steps to help prevent your pet from taking a trip to the emergency room:

- Avoid physical activity during the heat of the day; keep exercise to the cooler mornings and evenings.
- Ensure your pet has access to plenty of water throughout the day and during times of exercise.
- Spray your pet down with room temperature or cool water, but never ice water. Ice cold water causes a decrease in blood flow to the skin and heat can't escape the body properly, which actually makes heat exhaustion symptoms worse.
- Make sure pets are kept inside of air-conditioned spaces to avoid excess exposure to heat.
- When walking or jogging with your pet, try to avoid asphalt as your pet's paw pads can burn. Instead, stick to concrete, dirt or grass, as those surfaces are less hot.
- Never leave your pet in a car unattended, even with the air conditioning running. If the air conditioning fails, your pet could easily over-heat in as little as a few minutes.
- Don't give sports drinks or electrolyte supplements to pets. Dogs cool off by panting and they do not sweat like people. Supplements like sports drinks can actually harm animals and make pets sick.

Most importantly, be familiar with your pet and know when they aren't acting right. Lethargy, vomiting, diarrhea and dark red gums are all signs of heat related distress. If your pet is panting uncontrollably or collapses, take the animal to your veterinarian or nearest emergency veterinary hospital immediately.

Nine Ways Boaters Can Save This Summer

Like many Americans, boat owners have to watch their budget. Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) has nine tips on ways boaters can save this summer. What's the catch? Some require BoatUS or BoatUS Angler membership, which cost just \$24 annually and includes \$50 of free on the water or on the road towing, 24-hour dispatch, and access to programs and services that make the boating, sailing or fishing experience better. Unless noted, most of the discounts can be found at www.BoatUS.com/serviceslocator.

At the gas pump: BoatUS members can get up to 10 cents off per gallon of fuel at over 360 BoatUS Cooperating Marinas.

An overnight slip for the summer vacation: Over 600 BoatUS Cooperating Marinas offer up to a 25% discount on transient slip fees – or essentially four nights for the price of three.

Boat repair discounts: Save a little more at 320 BoatUS Cooperating Marinas offering up to 15% off repairs.

Get a break on guide services or charters: Go fishing with a pro or explore new fishing grounds with the help of a local, with discounts up to 15%.

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For the First Mate: The US Power Squadrons have knocked \$30 off the price of their "Partner in Command" online seminar – now just \$40 – which aims to acquaint the First Mate with basic skills he or she may need to fill in for the captain when needed. Through a partnership with the BoatUS Foundation, the interactive seminar is available online at www.usps.org/edonline

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CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF STREETS AND SANITATION CREWS INOCULATE 17,500 ASH TREES IN FIRST TEN WEEKS OF TREATMENT SEASON

City completes 50 percent of its goal to treat 35,000 trees in 2013

The Chicago Department of Streets and Sanitation today announced crews have successfully treated the first 17,500 ash trees as part of the City's aggressive forestry plan to combat the emerald ash borer insect.

"The emerald ash borer threatens nearly 20 percent of Chicago's parkway trees which enhance the beauty of our city and offer countless environmental benefits to our communities," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "Protecting these valuable assets not only supports a healthy environment, but can prevent the costly removal and replacement of thousands of trees."

As outlined in Mayor Emanuel's 2013 budget, the City is investing approximately \$2 million in an emerald ash borer program, compared to \$110,000 in 2012. The average cost to inoculate a tree is \$46, compared with \$1,000 to remove and replace a tree.

For the first time ever, the City has a dedicated workforce tasked with inoculating ash trees. The City has hired and trained 26 general laborers to implement the first year of the multi-year plan to combat the insect which threatens approximately 85,000 of the City's parkway trees. In 2013, 35,000 ash trees will be treated, compared to the 18,000 total parkway trees that have been inoculated in Chicago since the treatment became available in 2009.

Emerald ash borer inoculation crews are targeting areas of known infestation to slow the progression of the insect and manage tree mortality. Forestry crews began treating in early May and will continue through September, when treatment is believed to be most effective.

The ash trees are being inoculated with Emamectin Benzoate which has been proven to kill 99 percent of emerald ash borer insects within a tree. Emamectin Benzoate protects the tree for up to three years.

The emerald ash borer is an exotic beetle native to Asia that was discovered in southeastern Michigan in 2002. The beetle has killed more than 30 million ash trees in southeastern Michigan alone, with millions more dying in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and other infested states.

CHICAGO'S DIVVY BIKE SHARE SYSTEM OFF TO A FAST START



25,000 Bike Trips Taken, 88,000 Miles Ridden in First Two Weeks of Operation;

Installation of New Stations to Begin Next Week, Ramping Up to 300 this Summer

In just the first two weeks of the Divvy bike share system in operation, Chicagoans and visitors to the city have taken more than 25,000 trips and have collectively ridden an estimated 88,000 miles, the equivalent of pedaling around the earth three and a half times.

Divvy staff will begin to install new stations next week, ramping up from the current 70 stations and 700 bikes to 300 stations and 3,000 bikes by the end of this summer. By next spring, Divvy will be in 400 neighborhood locations with 4,000 bikes.

"Chicagoans and our visitors have embraced Divvy as a new transportation option, and we are now ready to expand the system so more people can safely and efficiently travel around the city's neighborhoods," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "In just two weeks, Divvy has made a significant impact on the way people move around Chicago."



Each Divvy station has a touch-screen kiosk, station map, and a docking system that releases bikes using a Member key or ride code. Customers can purchase \$75 Annual Memberships or \$7 24-Hour Passes, which allow riders unlimited trips in that period. The first 30 minutes of every trip are included in the cost of the Membership or Pass, and incremental fees apply to trips that exceed 30 minutes.

Annual Members use a personal key used to quickly unlock bikes from any station. More than 2,500 Chicagoans have already signed up for Divvy Annual Memberships at DivvyBikes.com.

Of the more than 25,000 bike trips made from June 28th through July 11th, more than 6,000 were made by annual members, and 19,000 were from customers who purchased 24-Hour Passes. With 3,000 trips made on Saturday, July 6th, each Divvy bike averaged more than four trips that day.

The system is dubbed "Divvy" to reflect the nature of bike share, where members "divide and share" the use of the bikes. The bicycles' distinctive "Chicago Blue" paint is the same color as the stripes on the Chicago city flag, and will provide a high level of visibility on the street.

Chicagoans can find out more about the system through social media on Twitter at @DivvyBikes and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DivvyBikes.

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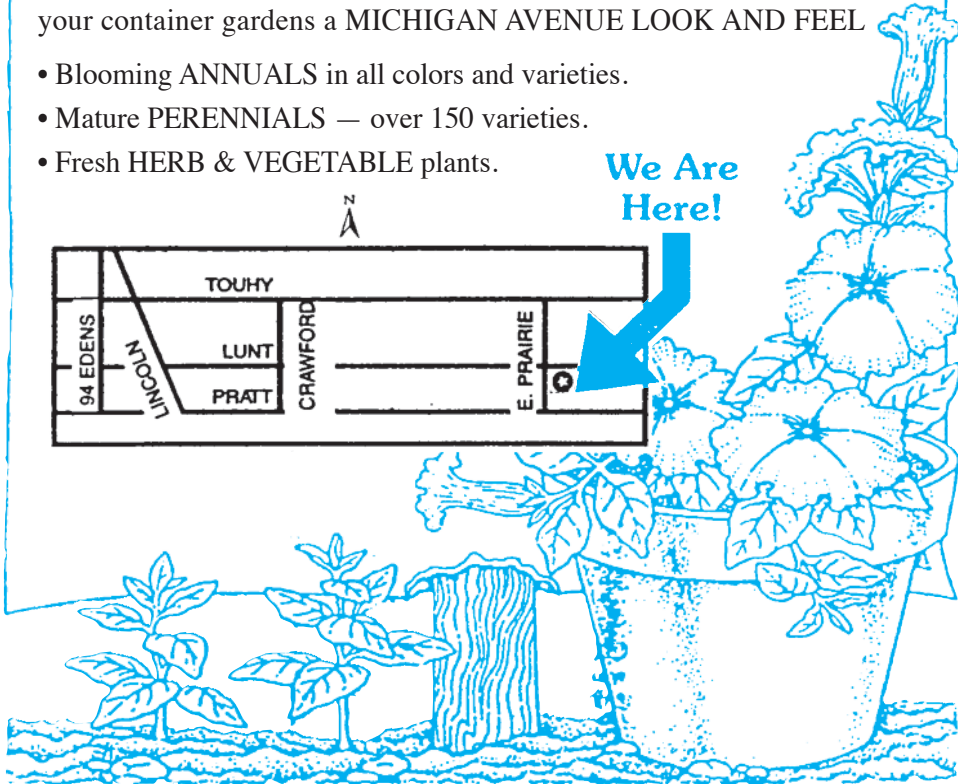
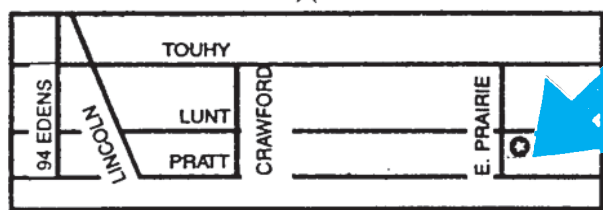
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